## Don't Wait. Communicate. Make Your Emergency Plan Today.

September is National Preparedness Month (NPM). The event, now in its thirteenth year, is a nationwide, month-long effort hosted by the Ready Campaign and Citizen Corps, encouraging households, businesses and communities to prepare and plan for emergencies.

One of NPM's key messages is to be prepared in the event of an emergency so you can be self-reliant for three days without utilities and electricity, water service, access to a supermarket or local services, or maybe even without response from police, fire or rescue. Preparing can start with four important steps:

- 1. Be informed about emergencies that could happen in your community, and identify sources of information in your community that will be helpful before, during, and after an emergency.
- Make a plan for what to do in an emergency.
- Build an emergency supply kit.
- Get involved.

Preparedness is a shared responsibility; it takes the whole community. Make a plan with your community, your family, and for your pets. Plan how to stay safe and communicate during the disasters that can affect your community.

The Pullman Police Department provides emergency preparedness tools and resources on our website at this shortened link: http://bit.ly/1lajhjO. Information is also available in the Police Department lobby. Sign up to receive emergency notifications from the Whitman County and City of Pullman Emergency Alert System; sign up by clicking on the "Emergency Notification System" menu item on the Police Department website, or use this shortened URL: http://bit.ly/1pq9B1V. The Pullman Police Department provides citizens with emergency information, updates, reminders, road closure information and more via Facebook, Twitter, and our mobile app. Follow us on social media at facebook.com/PullmanPD and twitter.com/ **PullmanPolice**, and download our mobile app at MyPD.

The Pullman Police and Fire Departments encourage our community to be better prepared and invite community members to join us in this effort. For more information about the Ready Campaign and National Preparedness Month, visit www.ready.gov.

#### **PARKS & RECREATION**

#### Thank you!

Special thanks to 2016 Concerts In The Park Series sponsors: WSECU, Pullman Heating & Electric, Remax Home & Land, Coldwell Banker Tomlinson, Edward Jones Investments – Greg Bloom; Pickard Orthodontics, P1FCU, Pullman Chamber of Commerce, and Allegra Print & Imagining.

#### Care-to-Share Fun Run

Join Pullman Parks and Recreation on Saturday, Oct. 8 for the 8th annual Care-to-Share Fun Run on a 5K or 10K course. All proceeds from this event benefit the Pullman Parks and Recreation Care-to-Share program which provides financial assistance to youth from low-income families for participation in recreation programs they otherwise may not be able to afford. For more information call 338-3227 or register online at www. pullmanparksandrec.com.

## Archery Tag

Extreme Archery Tag will keep you on your toes. The dodgeball-like game uses non-lethal, foam-tipped arrows and bows. Checkout the video at **extremearcherytag. com** to see what all the hype is about! While having a blast and exercising, participants learn teamwork, leadership skills, focus, and hand-eye coordination. Youth ages 7-14 are welcome from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays, Sept. 19-Oct. 26. \*Fee: \$50, which includes all necessary equipment.

## Beginning/Intermediate Billiards

Want to take your game to the next level? Work with a Professional Billiards Instructors Association certified instructor. Learn proper stroke mechanics, eye patterns, and psychology techniques to improve your mental game. There will be plenty of drills that allow you to reinforce your skills and get immediate feedback on your progress. Learn rules and strategies of Eight-Ball, Nine-Ball, Ten-Ball and Equal Offense. For more information contact Gary Marinin at ga.marinin@yahoo.com

or (509) 432-3866. Classes for youth ages 12 and older will be from 2-4 p.m. on Sundays, Sept. 11-Nov. 6. Classes for adults 21 and older will be from 6-8 p.m. on Thursdays, Sept. 15-Nov. 10. \*Fee: \$80, which includes use of a house cue stick. However, players are encouraged to purchase one to ensure you will have a good tip.

#### Tennis Lessons

Introduce a lifetime sport to your kids. They'll be taught the fundamentals of tennis in a fun environment. Participants should have their own racquets; balls are provided.

- Pee Wee Tennis: youth ages 4-6 are welcome to participate. Lessons will be held from 4-4:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Sept. 6-29. \*Fee: \$29 per session.
- Youth Tennis: for beginner and intermediate players ages 7-12 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays, Sept. 7-Oct. 3. \*Fee: \$59.
- Advanced/Teen Tennis: for all skill levels ages 12-18 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. \*Fee: \$59.

#### Fitness Classes

Various fitness classes start early September. Detailed class descriptions, times, dates, and cost can be found in the Pullman Parks & Recreation 2016 Fall brochure or online at www.pullmanparksandrec.com.

#### Youth Sports

Spaces are still available in the youth soccer, volleyball and flag football programs. Practices begin the week of Sept. 12. Register online at www.pullmanparksandrec.com or call (509) 338-3227. \*Fee: \$40.

\*All registrants who live outside Pullman city limits will be charged an additional \$2.

For more information or to register, go to www.pullmanparksandrec.com or call Pullman Parks and Recreation at 338-3227.



Please come to the 12th Annual Palouse Basin Water Summit from 4:30-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 5 at the Schweitzer Event Center in Pullman.

The 2016 Summit—our annual community dialogue about our local water resources will feature the internationally acclaimed environmentalist **Maude Barlow** and her recent book—Blue Future: Protecting Water for People and the Planet Forever—a powerful, penetrating, and timely look at the looming global water crisis—and what we can do to prevent it. "The coming grab for the planet's dwindling resources is the defining issue of our time. Water is not a resource put here for our convenience, pleasure and profit but the source of all life. It is urgent that we clarify the values and principles needed to protect the planet's fresh water," notes Barlow.

Be challenged by great presentations from local water experts, area youth and our annual State of the Basin Report. The event is free and open to all community-minded Palouse residents. Additionally, we'll draw for some fabulous prizes including a lowflow toilet and a \$1000 xeriscaping yard makeover! Come to this important community conversation. For more information, please visit: www.

palousewatersummit.org.

# Did you know?

...that mulch is great for retaining water. Spreading mulch over the soil surfaces throughout your landscape will help the soil to absorb and store water, retain moisture as well as suppress weed growth. You'll use less water, lower your bill and still be the envy of the neighborhood. For more information on ways to conserve water, call 338-3242 or visit PullmanConserves.com.

# Help keep pedestrians safe

With both Pullman School District and WSU in full swing, the city encourages everyone to respect the rights of pedestrians, not only when you are driving, but also when it comes to the use of sidewalks. Pullman City Code provides that a 7-foot clearance area be created above sidewalks to assure pedestrian and bicycle safety. This area is to be free of debris and overhanging vegetation.

# Fall brings exciting library projects

#### **Parking Lot Stormwater Retrofit**

The city parking lot next to Neill Public Library is closed through October for the retrofitting of several low-impact development features to better handle stormwater runoff. So, now is the perfect time to try visiting the library by bus—for free! Stop by the library to pick up your complimentary Pullman Transit bus tokens, courtesy of Friends of Neill Public Library. Let the Friends get you to and from the library in style! Library open hours remain the same and both entrances are open for pedestrian access.

Funding for this project is provided by the Washington State Department of Ecology Stormwater Grant Program and city of Pullman Stormwater Utility Fund. For more information about this project, please contact **Clayton Forsmann**, Deputy Public Works Director at 338-3222

#### **New Carpet**

The library carpet will be replaced starting Oct. 23. The original carpet tiles installed in 2004 have become unglued and warped without a way to satisfactorily repair them; presenting a hazard to public safety. The library will be closed for three weeks, from Oct. 23 – Nov. 13. Library materials will not be due during this time. The library's online services including the catalog, downloadable books, and research databases will remain available throughout the project.

This project is funded by the city of Pullman and the Shirrod Family Endowment Fund. Please contact the library at 334-3595 for more information about this project.

#### **Adult programs**

- English Conversation Club. Join other adults to practice your English language skills through basic conversation from 5:30-7 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesday in the Hecht meeting room. For more information Contact Louise Davison (208) 310-0962 or Imdavison66@gmail.com.
- **Grand Avenue Book Club** meets at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 1 in the Hecht meeting room to discuss *The Bees* by **Laline Paull**. For more information about the book club, contact **Rezina** at 334-3595.
- **Good Yarns** knit and crochet group meets from 1-2:30 p.m. every Friday in the Hecht meeting

room. Join fellow fiber enthusiasts to work on your projects, share tips, and get new ideas. All skill levels are welcome. For more information, call 334-3595.

• Sew Happy hand and machine sewing club meets 10-11:30 a.m. every Tuesday in the Hecht meeting room. Come work on your sewing projects or learn how to sew. All skill levels are welcome. Some machines are available or bring your own. For more information, contact Linhda at 332-5340 or linhdasagen@yahoo.com.

#### Youth programs

- Teen Wii Sports Teens ages 12-17 are invited to a Wii Sports Events on Tuesday, Sept. 27 from 4-5:30 p.m. Bring a friend to enjoy the athletic fun. Door prizes for all attendees. Pre-registration is not required. For more information, contact Youth Services Librarian Kathleen Ahern at kathleen@neill-lib.org or 338-3258.
- Mother Goose Time (newborns-24 months) meets from 9:30-10 a.m. on Wednesdays or Thursdays. Enjoy this language enrichment program that features songs, rhymes, movement activities and great books.
- Time For Twos Story Time (2-3 years) from 10:30-11 a.m. on Wednesdays. Enjoy fun books, songs, rhymes, flannel board stories, movement activities and more.
- Preschool Story Time (3-5 years) from 10:30-11 a.m. on Thursdays. Enjoy wonderful books, stories, puppets, songs, rhymes, flannel board stories, movement activities and more.
- Lego® Time! (ages 5 and older) from 3:30-4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 6. Drop in and join your friends for Lego® Time! Imagine, build, create! Thousands of Legos await you. Pre-registration is not required.

## **Library Hours**

CLOSED Labor Day Holiday - Monday, Sept. 5.

Mon • 1-7 p.m.

Tue • 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Wed & Thu • 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Fri & Sat • 1-5 p.m.

Neill Public Library • 210 N. Grand Ave www.neill-lib.org • 334-3595

## **ACTIVE ADULTS**

#### Pullman Senior Center Breakfast Club

Join other members who enjoy trying various foods and restaurants. This month we'll go to Rusty's Ranch Café in Lewiston. We leave city hall at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 15 and return about noon. Register by Sept. 14. \*Fee: \$5, which includes transportation and escort. Meal cost is not included.

#### **Steve's Mystery Trip**

Join other members who like to be surprised. It's all about anticipation—the destination is a secret! Just be sure to sign up quickly. This trip is the most popular trip we offer and you don't want to miss it. Home pickup begins at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 17. We leave city hall at 8:30 a.m. and return about 6 p.m. Register by Sept. 2. \*Fee: \$30, which includes tour, transportation and escort. Meal cost is not included.

#### Northern Quest Casino

This is our most popular casino trip to the largest casino in our area. This glitzy Airway Heights resort has 14 different restaurants and food vendors. Home pickup begins at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 20. We leave

city hall at 9 a.m. and return about 5 p.m. Register by Sept. 16. \*Fee: \$12, which includes escort and transportation. Meal cost is not included. We are not responsible for any losses incurred!

#### **AARP Smart Drivers Class**

This course covers state laws, driving conditions, and safety. Upon completion of this course, seniors qualify for the state-mandated insurance premium reduction. Fall session will be held at the Senior Center from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on Sept. 20 and 21. For information on classes and to register, call **Arnie Lee** at (208) 301-8844. Fee: \$15/AARP members/\$20/Non-AARP members. This class is limited to 25 members, so sign up early.

\*All registrants who live outside Pullman city limits will be charged an additional \$2.

NOTE: Many of these trips are listed in the 2016 Fall Parks & Recreation brochure and may fill up due to pre-registration. The Senior Coordinator will be on vacation Sept. 1-14, and during that time call Parks & Recreation office for info at 338-3227.

# **Directory of City Officials**

## **Elected Officials**

Glenn A. Johnson	Mayor
Jeff Hawbaker	Councilmember
Fritz Hughes	Councilmember
Eileen Macoll	Councilmember
Ann Parks	Councilmember
Al Sorensen	Councilmember
Nathan Weller	Councilmember
Pat Wright	

#### Administration

Mark Workman	City Supervisor
Joanna Bailey	Library Services Dir.
Wayne Brannock	IS Manager
Kurt Dahmen	. Recreation Mgr.
Alan Davis	. Parks Manager
Pete Dickinson	. Planning Director
Kevin Gardes	. Public Works Dir.
Mike Heston	. Fire Chief
Leann Hubbard	. Finance Director
Gary Jenkins	. Chief of Police
Thad O'Sullivan	. City Attorney
Karen Sires	Human Res. Mgr.

Phone: 338-3208 • Fax: 334-2751 Police Nonemergency Services: 334-0802 Web address: www.pullman-wa.gov

# Check to make sure you have fire breaks around your home

As these hot summer days continue, your Pullman firefighters are looking for some help when it comes to protecting your home and property.

Take some time to walk around your property and see if you have any dry grasses or weeds next to a fence or a building. If there are a lot of weeds, there's a potential for fire. It doesn't take a grass fire very long to travel from another person's property to yours, especially if the wind is blowing.

Your firefighters urge you to clear a path or create a firebreak between the dry grass or weeds and structures. The Pullman Fire Department will do its best to save lives and property but creating a firebreak on your part may make all the difference in saving your property.

Now is also a great time to check fire hydrants on or near your property to be sure they are unobstructed and ready for use. Fire hydrants require 3 feet of clearance in all directions from bushes, trees or other objects. If you see a problem with a fire hydrant, please report it to the department at 332-8172 or visit http://www.pullman-wa.gov/departments/fire for more information.

# Tour historic downtown sites

Join Pullman's Historic Preservation Commission on a fascinating, self-guided walking tour of some of Pullman's most significant historic places from 5 p.m. until sundown on Friday, Sept. 23. Commissioners will be at these historical sites to tell you their captivating stories. Learn more about the history of such locations as the Flatiron building, the Veterans' War Memorial, our city's former train depots, and the Artesian Well!

The tour starts at the Old Post Office building, located at 245 SE Paradise Street, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is the current home of Paradise Creek Brewery. If you want to experience a blast from the past, come join our Commissioners for this fun and informative tour. Make sure to dress for the weather and wear comfortable shoes. Commissioners and other volunteers will be available at these sites from 5 p.m. until sundown.